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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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Mr LUCAS PIRES, Mrs EWING, Mr BOUTOS,
Mr FITZGERALD, Mr PEGADO LIZ, Mr MARQUES MENDES,
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Mr M. PEREIRA, Mr CONDESSO, Mr BEIROCO,
Mr MATTINA, Mr GAZIS, Mr BALFE, Mrs PIERMONT,
Mr KUIJPERS, Mr SCHWALBA-HOTH, Mr BOESMANS,
Mr GUERMEUR, Mr FLANAGAN, Mrs LEMASS,
Mr FITZSIMONS and Mr BARRETT,

with request for topical and urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the situation in East Timor

Country breakdown of signatories

Belgium: Boesmans, Happart and Kuijpers.
France: Guermeur.
Germany: Piermont and Schwalba-Hoth.
Greece: Boutos and Gazis.
Ireland: Andrews, Barret, Fitzgerald, Fitzsimons, Flanagan and Lemass.
Italy: Mattina.
Netherlands: van den Heuvel and Vandemeulebroucke.
Portugal: Beiroco, Condesso, Fernandes, Garcia, Lacerda, de Queiroz, Lucas Pires, Marques Mendes, Medeiros Ferreira, Miranda da Silva, Pegado Liz, M. Pereira and V. Pereira.
United Kingdom: Balfe and Ewing.

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Or. Fr.

The European Parliament,

A. whereas, since December 1975, Indonesia has been occupying the territory of East Timor by force, in defiance of international law,

B. having regard to the recommendations of the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council, and the resolutions adopted by both the United Nations Human Rights Committee and Minorities Subcommittee, which acknowledge East Timor's right of self-determination and ask Indonesia to remove her troops from East Timor's territory,

C. recalling the position taken by the Indonesian and Portuguese bishops, and above all the words of Pope John Paul II (on 7 July, 1984) recommending Indonesia to respect human rights in East Timor and expressing his hope that, whatever the circumstances, particular consideration would be given to the ethnic, religious and cultural identity of the Maubere people,

D. convinced that International Peace Year (1986) cannot possibly be celebrated calmly while there are people who are still prevented from freely enjoying their right to self-determination,

E. aware of the feeling of the Portuguese people and the conclusions of the representative sovereignty bodies in support of the defence of the inalienable right of the people of East Timor to self-determination and independence,

F. noting that since 1 January 1986 Portugal has been a member of the European Community and that Article 297 of the Constitution of the Portuguese Republic states that Portugal will continue to be bound by its responsibility to promote and guarantee the right of East Timor to independence,

1. Appeals to the Government of Indonesia immediately to cease all hostilities against the people of East Timor, to put an end to their occupation of East Timor's territory and to respect the rights of the Maubere people to self-determination;

2. Asks the Institutions of the European Community to endeavour to ensure that the proper conditions are created for the people of East Timor freely to enjoy their right of self-determination;

3. Asks the Member States of the European Community to exploit all possible diplomatic channels to attain the establishment of peace and law in East Timor;

4. Asks the Member States of the European Community to demand that representatives of the Maubere people take part in all negotiations concerning the definition of East Timor's future status;

5. Asks the State of Portugal to join in Community efforts to ensure that East Timor's right of independence is guaranteed, in line with the provisions of the constitution of the Portuguese Republic;

6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Governments of the Member States and the Government of Indonesia.